



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

NAVY PERSONNEL COMMAND
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October 2, 2017

Mary Schantag
102 Vixen Circle Unit C
Branson, MO 65616

Dear Ms. Schantag:

SUBJECT: YOUR FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA) REQUEST

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request in which you seek U.S. Navy Official Military Personnel File (OMPF) information pertaining to Benjamin Tower. Your request was received in this office on September 29, 2017, has been assigned FOIA case file number CNPC20170624 by this command.

A releasable copy of available responsive information is enclosed. The redacted portions of the released documentation is exempt from disclosure under FOIA exemption 6 [5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6)]. Release of such information would be a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of Benjamin Tower and other identified individuals. Any potentially available adverse documentation contained in an OMPF is categorically denied under FOIA exemption (b)(6) should such information be contained in an applicable record.

Because your request is partially denied by this command, you are advised of your right to appeal this determination in writing to the Office of the Judge Advocate General, OJAG Code 14, 1322 Patterson Avenue SE Suite 3000, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5066.

If an appeal is deemed necessary, it must be received in that office within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter, in order to be considered. To expedite an appeal, you should enclose a copy of this letter and a copy of the original request along with a statement regarding why your appeal should be granted. The letter of appeal and the envelope should bear the notation, "FOIA/PA APPEAL."

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I am the official responsible for the partial denial of your request. Should you wish to discuss the processing of your request by this command, you may contact the undersigned at (901) 874-3165. You may also contact the DON FOIA Public Liaison, Christopher Julka, at Christopher.a.julka@navy.mil or (703) 697-0031.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'D. P. German', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

D. P. GERMAN
FOIA/PA Officer
By direction

CERTIFICATE OF RELEASE OR DISCHARGE FROM ACTIVE DUTY

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1. NAME (Last, First, Middle) TOWER, BENJAMIN STEPHEN		2. DEPARTMENT, COMPONENT AND BRANCH NAVY-USN		3. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (b) (6)	
4a. GRADE, RATE OR RANK SO1	b. PAY GRADE E6	5. DATE OF BIRTH (YYYYMMDD) (b) (6)	6. RESERVE OBLIGATION TERMINATION DATE (YYYYMMDD) (b) (6)		
7a. PLACE OF ENTRY INTO ACTIVE DUTY PITTSBURGH MEPS PITTSBURGH PA 15222-4101		b. HOME OF RECORD AT TIME OF ENTRY (City and state, or complete address if known) (b) (6)			
8a. LAST DUTY ASSIGNMENT AND MAJOR COMMAND SEA AIR LAND TEAM EIGHT		b. STATION WHERE SEPARATED PERSUPPDET LITTLE CREEK VIRGINIA BEACH VA			
9. COMMAND TO WHICH TRANSFERRED COMMANDER, NAVY PERSONNEL COMMAND (PERS-912), MILLINGTON TN 38055		10. SGLI COVE (b) (6) AMOUNT:			
11. PRIMARY SPECIALTY (List number, title and years and months in specialty. List additional specialty numbers and titles involving periods of one or more years.) 5326-COMBATANT SWIMMER (SEAL) (4YRS, 8MOS) 5320-BASIC COMBATANT SWIMMER (5YRS, 2MOS) X		12. RECORD OF SERVICE a. DATE ENTERED AD THIS PERIOD 2007 06 12 b. SEPARATION DATE THIS PERIOD 2013 06 11 c. NET ACTIVE SERVICE THIS PERIOD 06 00 00 d. TOTAL PRIOR ACTIVE SERVICE 00 00 00 e. TOTAL PRIOR INACTIVE SERVICE 00 00 00 f. FOREIGN SERVICE 00 00 00 g. SEA SERVICE 00 00 00 h. INITIAL ENTRY TRAINING 01 06 21 i. EFFECTIVE DATE OF PAY GRADE 2012 06 16			
13. DECORATIONS, MEDALS, BADGES, CITATIONS AND CAMPAIGN RIBBONS AWARDED OR AUTHORIZED (All periods of service) JOINT SERVICE ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL; NAVY/MARINE CORPS ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL; COMBAT ACTION RIBBON; NAVY GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL(2); NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL; GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM EXPEDITIONARY MEDAL (6 APR 2011-27 JUL 2011); GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM SERVICE MEDAL; (CONT BLK 18)		14. MILITARY EDUCATION (Course title, number of weeks, and month and year completed) RECRUIT TRAINING 8WKS AUG07; BASIC UNDERWATER DEMOLITION/SEAL (BUDS/S) INDOCTRINATION 5WKS OCT07; BASIC UNDERWATER DEMOLITION/SEAL 25WKS APR08; NPC STATIC LINE 1WK APR08; NPC FREE FALL 4WKS MAY08; SURVIVAL, EVASION, RESISTANCE AND ESCAPE (SERE) 2WKS MAY08; (CONT BLK 18) X X X			
15a. COMMISSIONED THROUGH SERVICE ACADEMY		(b) (6)			
b. COMMISSIONED THROUGH ROTC SCHOLARSHIP (10 USC Sec. 2107b)		(b) (6)			
c. ENLISTED UNDER LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM (10 USC Chap. 109) (If yes, years of commitment:)		(b) (6)			
16. DAYS ACCRUED LEAVE PAID (b) (6)	17. MEMBER WAS PROVIDED COMPLETE DENTAL EXAMINATION AND ALL APPROPRIATE DENTAL SERVICES AND TREATMENT WITHIN 90 DAYS PRIOR TO SEPARATION			YES	NO
				(b) (6)	(b) (6)
18. REMARKS SER:42575-13-2035-PAM "SUBJECT TO ACTIVE DUTY RECALL/ANNUAL SCREENING." (BLK 13 CONT) NAVY SEA SERVICE DEPLOYMENT RIBBON(2); SEA AIR LAND (SEAL). (BLK 14 CONT) SEAL BASIC COLD WEATHER MARITIME 3WKS JUL08; SEAL QUALIFICATION TRAINING 18WKS OCT08; RSW OPERATOR NEW EQUIPMENT TRAINING COURSE 1WK DEC08; RG-31/RG33 OPERATOR NEW EQUIPMENT TRAINING COURSE 1WK DEC08; DIVING EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR 2WKS JAN09; SEAL SCUBA DIVING SUPERVISOR 2WKS FEB09; (CONT DD 214C) X X X X X					
The information contained here in is subject to computer matching within the Department of Defense or with any other affected Federal or non-Federal agency for verification purposes and to determine eligibility for, and/or continued compliance with, the requirements of a Federal benefit program.					
19a. MAILING ADDRESS AFTER SEPARATION (Include ZIP Code) (b) (6)		b. NEAREST RELATIVE (Name and address - include Zip Code) (b) (6)			
20. MEMBER REQUESTS COPY 6 BE SENT TO (Specify state/locality) (b) (6) OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS (b) (6)					
a. MEMBER REQUESTS COPY 3 BE SENT TO THE CENTRAL OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS (WASHINGTON, DC)					
21a. MEMBER SIGNATURE (b) (6)		b. DATE (YYYYMMDD) (b) (6)	22a. OFFICIAL AUTHORIZED TO SIGN (Typed name, grade, title, signature) (b) (6)		b. DATE (YYYYMMDD) (b) (6)
SPECIAL ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (For use by authorized agencies only)					
23. TYPE OF SEPARATION Released from Active Duty and Transferred to the Navy Reserve		24. CHARACTER OF SERVICE (Include upgrades) (b) (6)			
25. SEPARATION AUTHORITY (b) (6)		26. SEPARATION CODE (b) (6)		27. REENTRY CODE (b) (6)	
28. NARRATIVE REASON FOR SEPARATION (b) (6)					
29. DATES OF TIME LOST DURING THIS PERIOD (YYYYMMDD) (b) (6)				30. MEMBER REQUESTS COPY 4 (Initials) (b) (6)	

**ANY ALTERATIONS IN SHADED AREAS
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